

**CITY OF MASCOUTAH
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
#3 WEST MAIN STREET
MASCOUTAH, IL 62258-2030**

JUNE 11, 2014

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission of the City of Mascoutah.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ken Tyler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Commission members Harold Knoth, Steve Heizer, Bill Witts, Ryan Hinrichs, Adam Kasper, Mark Pruett, and Chairman Ken Tyler were present.

ABSENT

No one was absent.

ALSO PRESENT

Executive Assistant Melissa Schanz, City Manager Cody Hawkins, and members of the athletic organizations in Mascoutah were present.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

A quorum of Parks & Recreation Commission members was present.

AMEND AGENDA

There was no need to amend the agenda.

MINUTES

Harold Knoth motioned to accept the May 14, 2014 minutes. This was seconded by Bill Witts and all other members agreed.

FINANCIALS

Harold Knoth motioned to accept the financial review. This was seconded by Steve Heizer and all other members agreed.

Mascoutah Athletic Organizations:

There was much discussion with all athletic organizations to make sure the city and each group is on the same page. Field usage and maintenance were just a few of the topics we talked about during this meeting. Everyone involved thought it was great to get together and the commission suggested that they come to a Parks and Recreation meeting every quarter. The athletic groups also talked about forming an athletic club/organization. Cody said to let that idea ride for now and we will revisit that in a few months after he thinks about how it would be formed.

Park Grants Update:

City Manager Cody Hawkins updated us on the grant status.

- DCEO Grant (Park Drive), we should be wrapping up this project.
- The County Park Grant that we applied for has been approved for Maple Park.
- CMAQ Grant, We did receive, but has not been released yet for a 10' multi-use trail on the berm from Rt. 4 to 10th Street. In addition, we are working to move the CMAQ Grant from Fuesser Road to the berm to complete the trail from 10th Street to County Road.

Tree Sub Committee:

Hinrichs stated that the tree sub committee will be meeting on June 18th at the park for clean up at 4pm. They invited anyone who can help to come and also asked the City to use the old dump truck which Cody said would not be a problem.

Scheve Park:

Kneth stated that the bleachers are finished. They will be putting a fence around them. The MIA will also start working on fixing the old bleachers and replacing some of the ones that cannot be fixed.

Harold asked if the City would help plan a dedication of the new playground on July 11, 2014 at 6pm. There will be juice and cookies along with a short presentation.

Melissa Schanz will order the new playground signs with an age limit of 8yrs old.

Harold also stated that they have someone that would like to build a gazebo in the little kids playground. No one seemed to have a problem with that plan.

Maple Park:

The City Manager stated that the city has been awarded the Grant for the additional playground equipment at Maple Park. The St Clair County grant included a new slide, teeter-totter and swing sets.

Prairie Lakes Park:

No updates.

Miscellaneous:

Cody explained that he has been in contact with another city that had a skate park and is getting rid of their equipment. We may be able to get this equipment that is in good condition for a reduced price.

It was mentioned that the Volleyball Court needs sprayed and worked again this year. Harold volunteered to take a look at it and do what is needed. He will contact us if or when it needs sprayed

Mark Pruett told the committee that he will be taking on the job of repainting the pavilion fascia that needs it.

There are parking issues at 10th and Park Drive. It was asked that Cody have NO PARKING painted on the pavement. Cody stated he would talk to Marvin about having that taken care of.

The concern about lights at the dog park was brought up. After some discussion it was decided that lights really are not needed since the dog park is closed when dark. Harold also updated the commission and stated that the water fountains are in and the concrete is poured for the pavilion which will get constructed soon.

The next Commission meeting will be July 9th, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

Harold Knoth motioned to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Bill Witts seconded the motion and all other members agreed.